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ANTERIOR SLIDING MOVEMENT OF BEARING

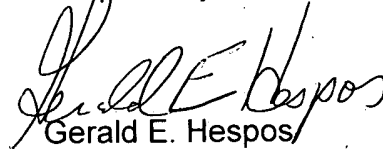
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Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement includes a copy of Form PTO-1449 that identifies several prior patents. Copies of the identified patents are attached as well. All of the patents relate generally to prosthetic knee joints. Several of the more relevant references are described in detail in the subject application. The Examiner is requested to consider these references during the examination and to make the references of record.

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